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THE FEBRUARY Staff meeting will be held next Friday, February 3, at 3:30 in Jordan Hall. Please note the hour! It is planned to devote half an hour to various items of business and then adjourn to the Laboratories of the Bacteriology Department where demonstrations will be given of the various lines of work under way in the Department.

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THE STATION Club, under the able direction of Mrs. Sweeney and her committee, staged a very successful card party last Friday evening. About fifty members of the Club and their friends attended. Mrs. Pederson and Mr. Einset carried off first honors for the evening, while Mrs. Rankin and Mr. Daniel also distinguished by placing among the prize winners.

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THE NEXT event on the Club's social calendar is the dance, previously announced, which has now been definitely set for Friday, February 17. Mechanical difficulties which have developed in Director Morrison's automatic Victrola, and which can scarcely be rectified before the 17th, have led the committee to engage an orchestra for the evening. Mr. Gambrell is in charge of the affair and will be glad to hear from those who expect to participate.

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AT A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Station Club yesterday formal action was taken on the matter of payment for guests at Club functions. The following is a resume of the minutes of the meeting covering this subject:

It has been the custom in the past to charge members of the Station Club a small sum for guests brought to Club functions. Some uncertainty seems to exist as to how this charge should be computed. The Executive Committee, by resolution, has, therefore, fixed a flat rate of forty cents for dinner parties for each guest and twenty cents for card parties and similar functions where light refreshments are served, with the exception of dances which will be cared for by special assessment. It is believed that these flat rates will simplify the matter of paying for guests.

The Executive Committee wishes it understood that guests are welcome at all Club functions and makes this statement with regard to paying for guests in order to avoid misunderstanding in the future. The Treasurer and the Chairman of the Social Committee have been made responsible for the collection of these assessments. It is the expressed desire of these Club officials that they be relieved of solicitation and that members of the Club in the future take it upon themselves to pay for their guests without formal notice.

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MR. VAN ALSTYNE is nursing a painful injury to his hand sustained last Friday when jacking up his car.

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MISS SPERRY or Mr. Sweeney would be glad to hear of the finding of two "Flat" keys lost in the snow between Jordan Hall and the Chemistry Building. Their interest in these keys is entirely innocent as they unlock the cupboards containing the Station Club property.

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DR. H. C. HUCKETT, entomologist at the Vegetable Research Farm at Riverhead, is spending his vacation in study in the museum of the Canadian Department of Agriculture at Ottawa. Mrs. Hockett is visiting at her home in Georgia.

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THE STATION Library has been made the recipient of "Achievement", a volume describing advances in photo-engraving and containing many beautiful examples of the engraver's art. The volume is inscribed to the "New York State Agricultural Experiment Station whose members appreciate the value of beautiful illustrations" by Victor W. Hurst, President of the Hurst Engraving Company of Rochester, who for the past several years have handled the Station's photo-engraving. The volume is a truly remarkable example of book making and is available in the Library for inspection at any time.

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MR. DANIEL has returned to his duties in the Entomology Division following a semester's leave of absence for the completion of work for his master's degree at Cornell.

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MOST OF us have read in our school histories of the remarkable ride of General Sheridan to turn the tide of battle when his forces were hard pressed by the enemy, but we doubt if "Phil" showed any greater zeal in reaching the scene of conflict than one of our stenographers who set a record that we venture to say will stand for some time. Arousing from her peaceful slumbers one morning last week, this young lady discovered to her great dismay that it lacked only seven minutes till 8:00 o'clock, the official opening hour of the Station's business day. And she was two miles away! Sheridan, as we remember, was twenty miles away, where a general belongs, but then he wasn't due on the field of battle at 8:00 o'clock. But to continue with the modern version of our story, we have it on the best of authority that his young lady arrived at the Station in her Ford at exactly nine minutes past 8:00, just sixteen minutes after the bonds of Morpheus had been rudely shattered by a frantic call from the family to a much-delayed breakfast. Such perseverance deserves more than passing mention!

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